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## PART I.

### IMPORTANT GOVERNMENT ORDERS

#### CHIEF SECRETARIAT.

Transfer of the work relating to the amelioration and uplift of Depressed Classes to the Revenue Commissioner.

READ—

Government Order No. 10-13—C.B. 16-47-1, dated 2nd July 1947, appointing Commissioner of Labour as Commissioner of Depressed Classes also.

ORDER NO. 9681-703—C.B. 335-47-2, DATED BANGALORE, THE 21ST JUNE 1948.

At present, the Commissioner of Labour is also Commissioner for Depressed Classes. As questions relating to Labour are assuming greater importance for the past some time, the Commissioner of Labour is finding it very difficult to devote the necessary amount of attention to problems relating to the amelioration of the Depressed Classes.

Much of this work has to be done in the villages and largely under the guidance and administrative control of Officers of the Revenue Department who are in constant and intimate touch with the requirements of the villagers. The vital matters concerning the betterment of the Depressed Classes fall within the range of the Revenue Code and Rules are within the competency of the Officers of the Revenue Department. In the circumstances of the case, any separate agency or office set up for carrying on the amelioration work has perforce to depend ultimately on the Revenue Department. Government feel that the Revenue Commissioner who has intimate knowledge of the entire population of rural areas, and who is the head of the Revenue Department, will be in a better position to administer the rules concerning this class of people to their best advantage. Further the Revenue Commissioner, who is also the Muzrai Commissioner, can better handle situations connected with the recent legislation relating to temple entry.

In the above circumstances, Government are pleased to direct that the work relating to the amelioration and uplift of Depressed Classes be transferred to the Revenue Commissioner. They also direct that the entire staff now sanctioned in this behalf will hereafter work under the orders and directions of the Revenue Commissioner.

V. VEDAVYASACHARYA, Chief

#### REVENUE SECRETARIAT

#### Prohibition Programme for the year 1948-49.

READ—

Government Order No. S. R. 3314-24—Ex. 89-47-1, dated 12th April 1948, directing among other things that the districts of Kolar, Tumkur, Chitaldrug should go dry from 1st July 1948 as a measure of the implementation of the programme of Prohibition.

ORDER NO. S. R. 5313-28—EX. 89-47-5, DATED BANGALORE, THE 25TH JUNE 1948.

At a meeting held in the Chambers of the Minister Public Health and Excise on the 15th instant, the District Commissioners of the three concerned Districts, viz., Tumkur and Chitaldrug, suggested that with a view to the programme of Prohibition in the districts effective and helping ex-addicts to imbibe healthier ideas, it was desirable to arrange a regular programme of inauguration, including lectures, Harikathas, Bhajans, Cinema Shows or Magic Lantern Lectures, etc. Agreeing in this view, Government are pleased to accord sanction to a special expenditure of Rs. 100 (hundred only) for each of the concerned District Headquarters and of Rs. 50 (Fifty only) for each of the concerned District Headquarters (excluding the taluks of Pavagada, Molakali and Davangere), the expenditure on this account being met out of the general savings in the budget of the Excise Department. The Deputy Commissioners of Kolar, Tumkur

drug Districts are requested to organize suitable ceremonies of inauguration of Prohibition, in a befitting manner, on the 1st July 1948. They are hereby authorized with the amounts sanctioned above on Abstract Contingent and make necessary amounts available to the Taluk headquarters.

The concerned Deputy Commissioners are requested to instruct their Sub-Division Officers and Amildars to enlist co-operation of local Congress Committees and non-officials in organizing programmes of inauguration of Prohibition in as many places as possible, particularly where Excise are at present in existence, and making the programmes attractive, instructive and impressive as possible. Leading influential ladies and gentlemen from villages surrounding shop may be requested to convene special meetings for purposes of propaganda and instruction as near as possible to shops.

4. With a view to making effective arrangements for the purpose, the services of the Rural Development Officers in three districts mentioned above, and of the motor vans on air charge, will be utilised for about three days from the 1st June 1948. The Deputy Commissioners concerned are hereby authorized to utilize the necessary quantities of fuel for this purpose.

5. The Deputy Commissioners are requested to contact organisations and interests mentioned above, particularly concerned District Boards and Municipal Councils and their hearty co-operation in this matter.

SYED ABDUL ALHEEM, *Rev. Secy.*

**Sanctioning a further grant of Rs. 1,35,800 for sinking "Drinking Water Wells" by reappropriation out of the grants under 'Assignments to Village Panchayets' for 1947-48.**

The following Government Orders distributing a sum of Rs. 5 lakhs sanctioned for in the State Budget for 1947-48 under drinking water wells:—

- 1) No. L. 3472-86—V.P. 25-47-2, dated 30th August 1947.
- 2) Government Order No. L.B. 1576-3—V.P. 25-47-9, dated 2nd January 1948.
- 3) Government Order No. L.B. 2386-92—V.P. 54-46-2, dated 28th January—10th February 1948.

Government Order No. L.B. 7426-37—V.P. 25-47-33, dated 14—18th May 1948, sanctioning a sum of Rs. 3 lakhs as additional grant out of the sum anticipated under the Major Head "30 Grants for Public Improvement" in the current year's budget against a grant of Rs. 3,95,800 applied for by the Revenue Commissioner in Mysore.

Letter No. R. D. R. 4. C. 1166—47, dated 27th April 1948, from the Officer for Rural Development received through the Revenue Commissioner, stating that a sum of Rs. 2 lakhs reserved under "Assignments to Village Panchayets" for allotting grants to the third set of hoblis is not to be used for that purpose as the Rural Drive Scheme has been ordered to be continued in the first two sets of hoblis, and requesting that this amount be funded as "Rural Development Fund."

Letter No. R. D. R. 4C. 871—47, dated 22nd April 1948, from the Revenue Commissioner in Mysore, requesting an additional grant of Rs. 800 to Shimoga District.

ORDER No. L.B. 8518-30—V.P. 25-47-27, BANGALORE, DATED 21ST—23RD JUNE 1948.

A sum of Rs. 5 lakhs provided for in the State Budget under "Sinking Water Wells" was distributed among the Districts as follows: a reserve of Rs. 70,000. Out of this, a sum of Rs. 30,000 was allotted to Shimoga District as additional grant, and the balance of Rs. 40,000 was allotted to the same District under the scheme for intensive improvements of the villages included in the Anjanapur Channel Area. Subsequently, on the recommendation of the Revenue Commissioner, a sum of Rs. 3,95,800 under the Drinking Water Wells, only a sum of Rs. 3 lakhs was sanctioned in the Government Order, dated 14—18th May 1948. Several Districts have not thus received the grants to the extent applied for and some districts have remained without any additional grant. The Deputy Commissioner, Shimoga District, has applied for a further grant of Rs. 50,800.

2. In view of the above, the recommendation of the Revenue Officer to fund the reserve of Rs. 2 lakhs kept for allotting grants to the third set of hoblis cannot be accepted. Further, Government observe that there is a great need for providing adequate grants for providing Drinking Water Wells in the State having regard to the fact that there have been no representations for the sanction of fresh wells,

deepening of existing wells and effecting improvements to the old and dilapidated wells. They are therefore pleased to direct that a sum of Rs. 1,35,800 be reappropriated out of the above reserve of 2 lakhs and to sanction the same for providing Drinking Water Wells in the State as detailed hereunder:—

District	Amount
	Rs.
(1) Mysore ...	5,000
(2) Hassan ...	20,000
(3) Tumkur ...	10,000
(4) Kolar ...	10,000
(5) Chickmagalur...	10,000
(6) Chitaldrug ...	10,800
(7) Shimoga ...	40,000
<i>Rural Welfare Centres—</i>	
(1) Anandapuram...	10,000
(2) Closepet ...	10,000
(3) Dodballapur ...	10,000
Total	1,35,800

3. The amounts may be drawn and credited to the Rural Water Supply Funds.

4. The Deputy Commissioners of Districts are requested to make arrangements for the expeditious execution of the Drinking Water Wells and settlement of all pending bills.

SYED ABDUL ALHEEM, *Rev. Secy.*

#### GENERAL SECRETARIAT

#### Reviews the report on the working of the Agriculture Department for 1946-47.

READ—

Letter No. Hc. Per. 35—47-48, dated the 7th January 1948, from the Director of Agriculture, submitting the Administration Report of the Department of Agriculture for the year 1946-47.

G.O. No. A. & F. 5811-74—AGRI. 147-47-3, DATED BANGALORE, 9TH JUNE 1948.

Recorded.

2. *Personnel.*—Sri M. J. Narasimhan, B.A., was in charge of the Department till the forenoon of 4th July 1946 when he proceeded on leave preparatory to retirement. Sri K. H. Srinivasan, M.A., B.Sc. (Edn.), was appointed Acting Director of Agriculture from 4th July 1946 and continued to be in charge of the Department during the period under report. He was confirmed as Director of Agriculture with effect from 15th July 1946. Sri M. Narayana Reddy, who was officiating as Deputy Director of Agriculture from 6th July 1946, passed away on 17th December 1946 after a brief period of illness.

The Agricultural School at Hebbal and the Farm were transferred to the control of the Principal, Agricultural College and Director, Agricultural Research Institute, during the year. The Coffee Experimental Station, Balehonnur, was handed over to the Indian Coffee Board.

The Scientific Sections of the Agricultural Department were transferred from the administrative control of the Director of Agriculture to that of the Principal, Agricultural College and Director, Agricultural Research Institute, at the end of the year.

The work relating to the Koleroga Spraying Operations and the licensing work of cigarette tobacco nurseries and tobacco barns, which was being attended to by the Mycologist, was transferred to the control of the Deputy Director of Agriculture.

3. *Grow More Food Campaign.*—This continued to be one of the most important activities of the department. With a view to enhancing the production of food crops and reducing the shortage of food, all the concessions regarding sale of seeds and manures, sanctioned in furtherance of the campaign were continued during the year. The seasonal conditions were generally favourable for dry and wet crops. The heavy rainfall during the harvest time, however, greatly affected the yield of ragi and paddy in the State and it became necessary to